

Series: Family Matters  
Sermon: Seasons & Singleness  
Speaker: Jay Perillo

### **Daily Readings**

Monday: 1 Corinthians 7:31-35  
Tuesday: 1 Timothy 5:3-16  
Wednesday: Philippians 4:4-9  
Thursday: John 15:1-8  
Friday: 1 John 2:3-11  
Saturday: 1 Timothy 6:6-16

### **Discussion Questions**

1. Have someone in your group give a brief recap of Sunday's message, highlighting the primary Scripture points and the main idea of the message.
2. How did this message strengthen and/or correct your previous ideas about seasons and singleness? Was there anything you heard for the first time or that caught your attention, challenged, or confused you? Did you learn anything new about God or yourself this week?
3. Interact with this statement: "Family is a covenant community where worship and learning happens in the context of unconditional love." What are some practical ways families can support each other in their spiritual growth? Consider your immediate family, as well as those in your life that are "friends that feel like family."
4. What does undivided devotion to Jesus mean to you personally? How can you maintain undivided devotion to Jesus during different seasons of life (e.g., singleness, marriage, parenthood, retirement)
5. Consider the presented description of a disciple: *spend time with Jesus, become like Jesus, and do as Jesus did.*
  - a. What does it mean to spend time with Jesus in your daily life? How did you spend time with Him this past week?
  - b. In what ways are you actively trying to become more like Jesus?
6. For those that are single: how can singleness be seen as an opportunity? What habits and disciplines can you develop during your single season to strengthen your relationship with God?
7. For those that are married: how can you support and encourage your family and friends that are single?
8. What are some practical ways to cultivate contentment regardless of your circumstances?
9. What action step do you need to take in response to this week's message? How can your group hold you accountable to this step?

### **Action Step**

Spend time journaling. First, reflect on your devotion to Jesus. In what ways are you distracted?

Answer each of these prompts as your journal:

- PURSUIT: What does it mean to seek first His Kingdom (Matthew 6:33) in your daily life? Are you doing that? What's distracting you from seeking first His Kingdom?
- PURITY: How can you seek purity in all areas of your life (Matthew 5:8)? Are you doing this? What's distracting you from living a pure life?
- PASSION: How can you cultivate a deep love for God above everything else? Is there anything you love more than God right now?

Write down and pray a prayer of repentance, and ask God to renew your mind and purify your heart as you seek to live a fully devoted, undivided, content life in Him.